



Friday 10th July 2026

Dear parents and carers,

Thank You for the gift of this bright July day,
for the sunshine that warms our hearts,
and the friendships that make our school a family.
Bless our teachers, classmates, and everyone who helps us learn and grow.
Guide us to use our summer days wisely –
to rest, to play, and to share Your love with others.
Keep us safe in all we do,
and help us remember that wherever we go,
You are always with us.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Health and fitness week has kept us all very busy this week. Thank you to parents/carers who volunteered and ran an activity and to the staff who adapted the activities in light of the heat. It was great to see so many of you at the EYFS/KS1 and KS2 sports mornings.

A big thank you to the parents and volunteers who gave us their time and expertise in running activities, it really was one of the most successful H&F weeks yet and we couldn't have done it without you.



Our Year 6 pupils had their leaver's disco on Wednesday evening and a fun time was had by all. Our thanks to Mr Morgan who DJ'd for the event and to the team of parent/carers who organised the event.

Year 6 Fiver Sale

Our year 6 cohort made over £850 at their fiver sale last Thursday. The money raised will be donated to Cancer Research UK. Well done year 6 we've incredibly proud of you all!

With only seven school days left of the school year please do make a note of the key events taking place, see below. We are expecting all of our children to attend school up to and including the last day of term. Please do not take your children out of school before the end of term for family holidays as this will be marked as unauthorised.

Dates for the month ahead:

- Monday 13th July Inset day- staff phonics training, school closed to pupils.
- Wednesday 15th July St Bonaventure's Feast Day- **bring a teddy bear to school**
- Friday 17th July Pupils end of year reports go out to parents/carers.
- Monday 20th July 3.30-4.30 Parent/carers report drop in.
- Tuesday 21st July:
 - ❖ Leavers Mass in Church 9.15am
 - ❖ Last day of the school year for pupils

Best wishes,
Stephanie Woolley
Deputy Principal

Celebrating Our Catholic Life: A Week of Energy, Faith, and Generosity

It has been a very hectic week at school as we embraced Health and Fitness Week. While our focus was on physical activity, the true spirit of our community shone through in how the children lived out our Gospel values. Across every session, from Irish and African dance to Gaelic football, tennis, rugby, orienteering, kickboxing, and gymnastics, the virtues of sportsmanship, teamwork, and genuine care for one another were on display.

Even as the temperatures rose and we draw nearer to the end of the term, our pupils remained resilient, enthusiastic, and open to trying new things. This joyful energy is a testament to the character they continue to build, supporting one another through every challenge and celebration. We extend our deepest gratitude to the many parents who gave their time to help run activities and cheer the children on. Your involvement is a vital part of our school's vibrant Catholic life and helps make these experiences so memorable for the students.

Making a Difference Together

Our commitment to serving others has been equally inspiring. We are delighted to announce that through their hard work and creativity, our Year 6 pupils raised an incredible £898.00 during their Fiver Challenge. Coupled with our non-uniform day, which raised £259.00, our school community has collectively gathered over £1,100.00 which is incredible.

This sum will be donated to Dr. Doyle and friends' JustGiving page, supporting the vital work of Cancer Research UK. The page has already surpassed an impressive £12,500, and we are proud to contribute to such a meaningful cause. If you would like to offer further support, donations can still be made via the link below:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/running-for-life-across-the-west-midlands>

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children grow not only in health and fitness but in compassion and service to our wider community.





HOCKEY TASTER SESSION READY FOR SEPT 2026
WEDNESDAY 15 JULY
3.20-4.30pm ON THE MUGA
ALL YEAR 3, 4 & 5 WELCOME
ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

EAL (English as an additional language) Coffee mornings **Every Tuesday 9:00-10:00**
 Please come along to the office and sign in.

If English is not your first language, please come along and join us for our weekly EAL coffee mornings.

All parents and carers are very welcome. This is a great chance to meet other parents, ask questions and be part of your child's learning. Feel involved in the school life and up to date with what's going on in a relaxed and friendly environment



Hello everyone

Message of the Week - What a bunch of good sports you are



This week saw us and our children take on health and fitness week (as well as the heat).

A huge thank you to all the parent and PTFA volunteers who helped set up refreshments, chop fruit and pack everything away again.

We managed to raise an additional **£135.75** which will get added to our annual total and put to good use in school enrichment activities next academic year.

Frozen Friday



We have one frozen Friday event coming up to add to our fundraising total this year:

17th July: Year 1 & Reception

Details have been issued via class reps - please support by volunteering to man the stand on your designated week.

Dates for your diary

- **Frozen Fridays – 17th July**

PTFA management Meetings

You can [view the minutes](#) from our AGM

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Get in touch

If you have any feedback or wish to join the PTFA, please email us at contact@stbonsptfa.com, contact us through your class rep, or catch us in the playground.

With many thanks

Johanna Probert – Committee Member (Communications and Engagement)

Community News

Governance Clerk Opportunities with Newman Catholic Trust

Newman Catholic Trust is currently recruiting one or more **Governance Clerks** to provide professional support to the Local Governing Committees across its schools.

This permanent role offers flexible, annualised hours (approximately 292 hours per year, depending on the number of schools supported) and can be undertaken through a combination of remote, hybrid, and school-based working. Much of the administration, meeting preparation, and minute-taking can be completed from home, with attendance required at online or in-person meetings, most of which take place in the evenings.

The Trust currently has four Local Governing Committees needing support and is open to appointing either one clerk to support all committees or several clerks sharing the responsibilities. This flexibility makes the role suitable for experienced governance professionals as well as those seeking part-time work alongside other commitments.

The position is employed directly by the Trust and coordinated by the Lead Governance Professional. If you are interested, please email Shelley-Anne Douglas-Lead Governance Professional (SDouglas@newmancatholictrust.com) for further details.

Become a Foundation Governor at St Bonaventure's

We're looking for Foundation Governors to join our school governing body—could that be you?

What is a Foundation Governor?

Foundation Governors are appointed by the Bishop to ensure the school stays true to its Catholic character and ethos. They work alongside other governors to support and challenge school leaders, helping to shape the strategic direction of the school while safeguarding its mission as part of the Catholic community.

What does the role involve?

- Attending around six governing body meetings per year, plus committee meetings
- Visiting the school a few times a year to see learning in action
- Taking on a link governor role in an area that matches your skills or interests
- Completing induction and some ongoing training

Who can apply?

To be a Foundation Governor, you must be Catholic but you don't need experience in education—we welcome people with varied skills and perspectives.

We're particularly keen to hear from anyone with experience in:

- Estates and facilities management
- Procurement
- Risk assessment
- HR or employment matters
- Fundraising

Interested?

We'd welcome an informal conversation to tell you more. Please contact our Clerk at Clerk@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com to find out more or express your interest.

The Newman Catholic Trust are recruiting a Trust Finance Officer and a Trust Senior Finance Manager for 2026/27. If interest please follow the below links:

- Trust Finance Officer: <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/17561/EDV-2026-CNCET-46427>
- Trust Senior Finance Manager <https://mynewterm.com/jobs/17561/EDV-2026-CNCET-16273>

